

CLAIMS:

- 5 1. An air-bag, the air-bag defining at least one inflatable region, the air-bag being provided with a gas supply duct extending into the air-bag, the gas supply duct being formed of a flexible material and being provided with at least one aperture therein through which gas may flow into the said at least one inflatable region of the air-bag, the said at least one aperture being provided with a
10 reinforcement reinforcing the periphery of the aperture.
2. An air-bag according to Claim 1, wherein the flexible material comprises fabric or a plastic material.
- 15 3. An air-bag according to Claim 1, wherein the flexible material comprises foil.
4. An air-bag according to any preceding Claim wherein the gas supply duct is of an elongate form.
- 20 5. An air-bag according to any one of the preceding Claims, wherein the gas supply duct is provided with a plurality of said apertures, each aperture being associated with a reinforcement.
- 25 6. An air-bag according to any one of the preceding Claims wherein the or each aperture is provided with a respective reinforcement.

7. An air-bag according to any one of the preceding Claims, wherein the or each the reinforcement is stitching provided in the flexible material forming the gas supply duct.
- 5 8. An air-bag according to Claim 7 wherein the or each reinforcement comprises a length of thread extending across the or each respective aperture so as to tie together opposing parts of the or each aperture.
9. An air-bag according to Claim 7 wherein the reinforcement for the or
10 each aperture is a respective annular reinforcing element.
10. An air-bag according to Claim 5 wherein the reinforcement is a single reinforcing element defining a plurality of apertures.
- 15 11. An air-bag according to any one of Claims 1 to 6 or 10 wherein the or each reinforcing element is adhered to the flexible material.
12. An air-bag according to any one of the Claims 1 to 6, or 10 or 11 wherein the or each reinforcing element is formed of fabric.
- 20 13. An air-bag according to Claim 11 wherein the or each reinforcing element is a region of adhesive which also bonds parts of the flexible material together to form the gas supply duct.
- 25 14. An air-bag according to Claim 11 or 13 wherein the or each aperture takes the form of a slit through the flexible material and the adhesive.
15. An air-bag according to any of the preceding Claims wherein the air-bag defines a plurality of inflatable regions or chambers.

16. An air-bag according to Claim 15 wherein the air-bag is an inflatable curtain, the gas supply duct being positioned to supply gas to each of the inflatable regions or chambers.